

ARIZONA STATE SENATE

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FACT SHEET FOR H.B. 2357

AHCCCS; podiatry services

Purpose

Requires AHCCCS contractors to provide podiatry services performed by a licensed podiatrist.

Background

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 36-2907, AHCCCS contractors are required to provide medically necessary health and medical services, including podiatry services ordered by a primary care physician or a primary care practitioner.

In October 2009, AHCCCS eliminated podiatrists as a covered provider type. Currently, for AHCCCS members 21 years of age or older, services provided by a podiatrist or podiatric surgeon are not covered.

According to JLBC, the anticipated fiscal impact to the state General Fund associated with the restoration of podiatric services provided by a licensed podiatrist ranges from \$214,200-\$280,000.

Provisions

- 1. Requires AHCCCS contractors to provide podiatry services that are performed by a licensed podiatrist.
- 2. Makes technical and conforming changes.
- 3. Becomes effective on the general effective date.

House Action

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